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### The Correct Position.

The Hustler is pleased to see the democrats of Hendersonville taking a bold stand upon principle in city politics this spring and sincerely hopes a signal victory may be achieved. Had the policy outlined for the present campaign for city officers been maintained uninterrupted since Mr. J. P. Rickman was first elected Mayor over O. V. F. Blythe the affairs of our municipality would be in better condition than they are and Henderson county matters would today be in the hands of the democratic party. The citizen movement (so-called) in 1900 proved an entering wedge which rent asunder the democratic organization in the town and resulted in factional strife in the county, from which the party has only recently recovered. The name "citizen ticket" was a mis-nomer, but served the purposes for which it was launched, that of deceiving the people into the belief that their interests would best be subserved in that way rather than by either of the two political parties, thereby securing their support for a few individuals who were yearning to hold office. The plan succeeded and has been repeated every two years since it was first proposed, but the affairs of the city government are in no more favorable condition "than when they first began." Financial matters are reported to be in a strained condition and the temperance laws may as well be repealed. A moral awakening is greatly needed and there is no better means of bringing it about than by the election of a straight democratic ticket and the selection of subordinate officers who will execute the law without fear or favor, reward, or hope of reward. This is exactly what Jim Rickman's administration gave the people and they should return to "those good old times." The opportune moment has arrived. Democrats, do your duty. Victory is within reach if you will but put forth a determined effort to win. The beginning is hopeful, may the ending be equally pleasing.

Even in Asheville there is to be a straight fight between democrats and republicans this Spring. The republicans are in the minority, but say they will not become a party to any "independent" or "citizen's" movements, such as those heretofore fostered and launched by republicans and disgruntled democrats. They say that these movements in the past, with but few exceptions, have met with crushing defeat and the republicans have borne the stigma. The republicans of that city now say if they are to meet defeat they prefer to go down in a dignified manner with no "citizen" or "independent" movement attachments. They are going to nominate only straight republicans. This is the correct position and we commend the Asheville republicans for having the courage of their convictions at last manifested in a public way. Of course they do not expect to win, but will have the consolation of knowing afterwards that they took their medicine straight. This was the democratic position in Hendersonville until two years ago, when they compromised themselves by going into a mass-meeting in the hope of defeating the original "citizen" crowd at its own game. They succeeded in this, but conditions have improved little if any under the "insurgents." One party or the other should be responsible for the management of affairs in every municipality which has attained the size of Hendersonville. Wayneville has put away the "citizen" ruse and the democrats of that bustling burg recently met in mass-meeting and unanimously decided to put out a straight ticket for city officers this time. Verily the people everywhere are coming back to a sane and sensible view of public matters, a condition most favorable to the triumph of principle and the "putting away" of fake movements. Such a result is bound to come and will be most pleasing. The Hustler is gratified to see the position from which it has never swerved again sustained by the democrats of Hendersonville and elsewhere.

This article is not written with any intended disparagement of the motives of good men, who were induced into the alignment with the "citizen" movement in this city some years ago, from honest motives, but to emphasize the importance of adhering to principle in all matters of public policy. Many of these have realized their mistake and make public the acknowledgement of the same by coming out boldly for a straight ticket this year, a conclusion which is admitted to their everlasting credit and a condition every true democrat has longed to realize. Thus it becomes the militant democracy of Hendersonville to put away all factional differences and let disagreements of previous years be a "sealed book." The ticket nominated is one upon which all democrats can unite, with a moral certainty of improved conditions in the event of success at the polls next month. Each name on the ticket represents a man of high character and the unquestioned ability to discharge faithfully the duties of the various positions for which they have been nominated; the platform declarations ring clear and there is every reason for encouragement in the contest making for needed reforms in the management of city affairs.

Who dares to venture the suggestion that Mike Schenck, Joe Bryson, Flem Brooks and Mack Rhodes will not "make good" after their election? Search the town from center to circumference and you will not find four men who are more capable of giving the city a clean and healthful administration. The public and private character of each of these gentlemen is above reproach and there can be no reason for any loyal democrat "departing the faith" in this contest. Here's hoping for a signal victory for the democratic ticket on Tuesday, May 7th. United, they will sweep the town; divided, a different result might be the ultimate conclusion. Every democrat to his post and the fight is won.

Then along comes the Columbia (S. C.) State with the following two-base hit: "There are many Republicans in Western North Carolina, but with some cases of twins in Henderson County in three months the infant industry in that quarter does not appear to need national protection."

Commenting upon the Columbia paper's optimistic booming of the baby industry of our delightful section the Charlotte News pulls off a three bagger in this wise:

"From that section of Republicans and babies we respectfully direct the admiring attention of the State to one home in good old Democratic Mecklenburg county, recently blessed with not only twin babies but twin calves and twin cows the same day—all Democrats."

Acting as umpire The Hustler shall proceed to declare the game off, unless the suggestion that the aforesaid babies are all of the republican persuasion is withdrawn. The republican party is not the only "public service" corporation in "these diggings."

When good men who have been affiliating with the "citizen" movement again join hands with the democratic organization it means something. Honest, wise men are willing to acknowledge their mistakes; the unwise never. Too much cannot be said in commendation of the former. If there be those who are still disposed to stand aloof and thereby encourage dissensions we can only hope they are honestly mistaken and that they may yet realize the error into which they have fallen unaware. It is a constitutional right that every citizen shall do as he pleases in this free country, yet it is a difficult proposition to understand how any man can put the individual above principle, especially when the question of character is not involved. But some things, sometimes "passeth all understanding."

A vote against the democratic ticket will be an endorsement of party perfidy in Hendersonville. And this no democrat can afford to do. It would further be an admission that the individual so doing does not believe the democratic party capable of giving the city a satisfactory administration. If there be those who adhere to the latter proposition we refer them, with pleasure, to every former democratic administration, to which each unprejudiced mind in this municipality can point with pride. As to those who may be willing to throw party loyalty to the wind we can only say: "Forgive them, for they know not what they do."

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"The legislature has adjourned, but some of the evils which it has done will live after its death."—The Times.

Will you enumerate "some of the evils" referred to, please, or withdraw this charge of bad faith upon the part of the State's law-makers? The universal sentiment seems to be that the recent legislature did its work wisely and well. In fact its record is more generally approved than that of any previous session for many years.

Is it worth while for any politician to continue to deny the existence of the fifth district ring?—Hendersonville Times.

No, but it is on the verge of collapse, since the collector's office has been transferred from Asheville to Statesville. Maybe there will be an effort to resuscitate down in Dick Hackett's ballhawk by the election of Mary Ann Butler, or some of his hirelings as high mogul.

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## CHAIRMAN SIMMONS TO RETIRE.

Senator Simmons, who has efficiently served the North Carolina democracy as state chairman since 1898, announces that he will retire from the latter position in the early summer. The news of the Senator's decision to surrender the leadership of his party which he has held with such signal success for so long a time, will be received with deep regret in democratic circles throughout the State. It is stated that Mr. Simmons does not think a United States Senator should be State Chairman and this is given as one reason for his contemplated action at this time. Furthermore we are told that the Senator "wishes to avoid any suspicion of favoring one candidate over another in the coming contest for State officers, and this fact probably accounts for his decision to call a special meeting of the committee to act on his resignation," which he contemplates doing at an early date. Neither of the reasons assigned, especially the latter, justifies such a conclusion and the Senator should hold on to chairmanship until the next state convention meets and the new committee, to be selected at that time selects a successor. His active duties as chairman ceased with the conclusion of the campaign last fall and the position has since been "functus-officio." The chairman will have no other service to perform except to assist in naming the time and place for holding the next State convention, calling the same to order and the selection of a temporary chairman. This "Senator Simmons" can do gracefully, without impairing the dignity of that exalted position.

It is our opinion that Mr. Simmons will make a serious mistake to force the selection of a new leader of the democratic party at this time, when all are united in following his leadership. He ought to remain at the helm until the expiration of the two years term for which he was last elected; then decline a re-election, if he thinks it advisable to relinquish the chairmanship.

Brevard, too, is putting off her swaddling clothes and the democrats will run a straight ticket for municipal officers this Spring. Verily, the democracy of this section is coming into its own. Principle has come to be more highly regarded and this is a healthy sign. Who says there are not good reasons to hope for improved conditions?

Already there have been numerous enquiries for positions in the new cotton mill from former Henderson county people who have left here to work in the mills in South Carolina. Many of them express a willingness to work for a less wage here than what they are now receiving.

**Sale of Real Estate for Taxes.**

By virtue of the Tax List now in my hands for collection for the years 1906 and 1907, I will offer for sale at the Court House door in Hendersonville, N. C., on Monday the 6th day of May, 1907, at 10 o'clock A. M., the following lands herein mentioned for taxes due and unpaid, together with costs as provided by law.

This April the 8th, 1907.  
C. E. Brooks  
Tax Collector

**Blue Ridge Township.**

Acres		
Allen Mary B.	20	3 16
Barnwell Ellen T.	35	2 57
Grimes Mrs Emma	76	15 57
Honnersen J T 05 & 06 146	105 69	
Heathery W R	35	6 08
Justice D H P.	115	21 58
Jones L J.	2	3 68
Jones W F.	35	1 03
Jones Mrs Rosa	5	8 80
Patterson R M.	14	6 42
Parris T L.	83	4 98
Duncan M P.	24	5 19
Nelson W C.	30	

**Clear Creek Township.**

Acres		
Corn Mrs M E.	33	7 12
Dockins W M	110	3 84
Edna Mrs Salina	23	3 90
Murray W P.	42	7 65

**COLORED.**

Leonard Law	6	1 94
Alfred	41	6 85
Mills A L.	38	3 18
Martha	19	2 14
J H.	2	5 19
Mitchell Amanda	9	95

**Crab Creek Township.**

Aiken L L.	28	1 28
Aiken L T.	101	11 31
Blythe Teobitha Heirs	31	1 81
Cantrell Law	10	1 39
Cooper J B.	162	6 85
Dalton L R.	38	5 36
J L Guice	165	13 63
Huggins J E.	56	3 09
Justice J F.	76	2 61
Kuykendall Jacob	28	1 40
Lee M S.	41	2 79
Thos	16	5 73
Mace S M.	111	20 81
J M.	8	6 49
Malett C E.	100	35 01
Marchbanks John	50	5 25
Moblin Jesse	30	1 50
Revis C G.	11	1 51
Shepherd James	84	4 28
Sentell W M.	215	7 79
R G.	99	5 94
Luther	38	1 75
Scott M L.	23	1 93
Bane Johnson	25	1 75

**DELINQUENTS.**

Blythe James Heirs	28	4 95
King R B.	23	1 97
Orr R G Heirs	30	5 57
Shipman James Heirs	80	3 74
Shepherd Rachel	66	2 99
Raynard Pink	71	2 19
W B.	64	2 10
Huggins J B.	12	2 40
Pinnacle Land co.	125	5 40

**COLORED.**

Thomas R L.	10	7 75

**Harris J P heirs** 27 " 1 75  
**Boots Anthony** 66 " 7 55  
**Jones J V** 77 " 9 44  
**Ledbetter R E** 11 " 5 55  
**Laughter S O** 28 " 2 30  
**Merrill J F heirs** 25 " 1 41  
**McAbee S B** 99 " 5 52  
**Nix John** 40 " 2 25  
**Rhodes J W** 25 " 8 37  
**Summers J S** 50 " 2 79  
**Sorrells widow** 23 " 1 93  
**Williams J W** 62 " 2 95  
**Williams O T** 20 " 6 88  
**Wilson J R** 50 " 1 75  
**Whitaker Mrs Sarah** 50 " 2 68  
**Warren S A** 25 " 5 65

**COLORED.**

Howell Geo	35	2 14
Jackson D W	2	9 51
Miller M	30	2 79

**Green River Township.**

Bane J D.	286	15 35
Hane Joseph D.	113	6 79
Beddingfield J S.	6	87
" Mrs L C.	101	2 98
Blackwell D M.	50	2 08
Blake Mrs Mary	2	1 51
Capps Alfred M.	97	9 33
W C.	100	15 04
Holt C G 1 town lot		2 08
Henderson Mrs M J.	100	2 29
Jones J T.	65	2 47
Kuykendall D M.	50	5 67
" B M.	50	6 57
Michigan Timber Co.	3000	53 14
Osteen C D.	138	7 50
" A H.	102	6 89
Pace J B.	66	2 28
" Henry	35	8 05
Revis J H.	5	7 24
" A R.	113	2 86
Swiney Mrs Harriet	90	2 41
Summy D D.	101	3 13
Vernon H W.	316	6 96
Vaughn U W.	75	2 79
" C R.	261	8 77

**COLORED.**

Terry George	1	4 80
Jackson G B 1 town lot		5 57
Nail Sallie	1 town lot	1 61

**HENDERSONVILLE TOWNSHIP**

Allen C T est	77 acres	14 11
Allen Elizabeth	15	1 55
Anderson W M	80	7 50
Barrow Alex	3	1 42
Benious T S	8	7 87
Blackwell E D	2 town lots	13 84
Brown A M	56 acres	18 85
Capps J B	42	12 49
Corn P P	3	15 48
Corn Mrs Armita	50	3 54
Darenty Henry	1	5 53
Douglas Eva B 4 town lots		10 07
Duncan Mrs Winnie	79	6 33
Finley George	108	9 69
Garren Charley	1	10 19
Greer J F	13	2 12
Griffin F N 1 town lot		2 22
Grimes Mrs Emma G 1 town lot		35 86
Guice Mrs Annie 1 town lot		1 21
Guice William M	32	8 31
Hodges W M	10	6 11
Jackson Miss Sunie 1 town		7 04
Jackson J F	8	5 19
Jackson J W	2	8 51
Justice H M	18	7 29
Justice F O	37	9 67
Justice W Scott 1 town lot		5 61
Justice W K	47	2 85
Knight R J	30	3 15
Lindell Linton	75	13 66
Laughter T B	1	2 45
Lyda J F	1	7 58
Mitchell J D 1 town lot		15 98
Mintz C A	4	3 69
Morris G Blythe 2 town lots		2 85
Murray Francis 4 town lots		1 55
McCarson W R	2	4 78
McCarson L	6	1 78
McCarson heirs	16	3 62
McCarson J L	56	6 37
Nelson J B	10	6 43
Orr O K 1 town lot		14 82
Perkins H O 2 town lots		26 26
Rhodes Maggie	15	1 92
Roper Mrs F A	200	38 13
Robertson W M	11	7 39
Shipman K E	63	9 89
Summer Bros 7 town lots		6 88
Stepp A Z	108	50 51
Starks W T Jr 1 town lot		1 51
Summer F A 8 town lots		6 06
Thomas Mrs Elizabeth	1	3 94
Williams Mrs H O 10 town lots		4 73
Williams Andrew	31	9 00
Hart Mrs J W	53	7 58

**DELINQUENTS**

Black John	18	6 77
Ewart H G	169	137 09
Ezell S B	21	7 80
Graham C E	22	8 70
Jones A C	27	5 00
Massey Dr Z D	10	9 30
Swygort Brook	20	5 08

**COLORED**

Beck Robert Jr 4 town lots		6 05
Brooks Charles	77	9 52
Featherston John	9	5 11
Fields Isaac	9	5 63
Fields Thos	4	11 50
Edwards Chester	4	5 43
Green Walker	9	5 48
Green Bradley	1	5 09
Green Elias	1	4 95
Green Amach	1	1 17
Green Mary	1	2 23
Green Mitchell	1	1 17
Hevren Martin	100	13 28
Harris J C	94	2 67
Looper Frank	14	3 15
Lynch Maggie 1 town lot		2 03
McDowell Morning 1 town lot		3 69
Nesbit C N	30	4 49
Podas John 1 town		4 49
Rhodes Charley	48	9 48
Shipman Wash	108	10 07
Shipman Samuel	7	2 37
Shipman Joseph	7	6 12
Shipman William	33	11 29
Simmons Mack	1	11 02
Smith Hettie	1	1 17
Spence James 4 town lots		10 26
Spence Mack 1 town lot		5 92
Swenson W 4 town lots		7 11
Washington Susan	5	3 69
Westmoreland heirs 1 town lot		1 17

**DELINQUENTS**

Whitmore John 1 town lot		1 28
Williams Walter 2 town lots		3 68
Williams William	1	8 32

**DELINQUENTS**

Fortune Giles	1	7 48
Mills Erwin est 2 town lots		3 54
Rhodes Joseph	15	2 90
Young H P	12	11 41

**Heeper's Creek Township.**

Cagle H W	76	15 37
Clark D C.	35	3 34
Featherston Mrs M E.	200	17 86
" N B.	42	15 07
" W P.	192	8 47
Hutcheson D W.	57	5 80
Kuykendall J M.	70	9 59
Livingston M W.	72	10 89
" Mrs Phenia	16	1 69
" L T heirs	50	2 26
" M S	19	10 78
Morrow Mary	42	8 92
Owen H P W	17	2 30
Trantham H E	200	7 49

**COLORED.**

Corpening James	11	2 90
Casebury Foster	30	1 56
Hawkins Betty	3	1 44
Logan Robert	4	1 26
Mitchel Jack	30	7 08
Pinner James	1	4 96
Reid Kelly est.	3	1 14
Underwood Van	20	1 90

**Mills River Township.**

Bryson G W.	10	6 80
Clayton A	2	5 26
W C.	8	5 79

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Hefner Frank	12	2 12
Summey Henrietta Heirs	50	4 99
Summey Henry	14	7 65

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